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lions and four excellent poems.

THE "PARENTS' REVIEW."—This new magazine has fairly established itself, and we cannot doubt that it is proving to be a most invaluable friend and guide to many a parent. In the June number there is much sound advice and suggested ideas for the use of those to whom is entrusted the early training of the young. First we have a few comments editorial, which contain much that is worthy of serious attention. Then follows a brief but interesting paper about Plutarch "On the training of children," by the Head Master of Plymouth College. "Motives, or rewards and punishments," by Miss Dorothy Beale, Principal of the Cheltenham Ladies' College, and an article on "Children's Literature," will be read with interest and profit. "Our cadets," by Captain Rowley Wynyard, R.A., will be instructive and useful to parents who have boys. The miscellaneous contents of the number comprise "Holidays in Lakeland fifty-nine years ago," "The Two Roses" (translated from the German), "The Queen of the year" (by Dr. J. E. Taylor, editor of *Science Gossip*), and part three of Miss L. T. Meade's story "From two points of view."

CALBURY'S COCOA.—"A Cocoa possessing valuable flesh-forming qualities, and imparting strength and staying power."—Health.

Canterbury
Journal
June 21/90

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THE PARENTS' REVIEW (London: W. H. Allen & Co., 13 Waterloo Place) has an unattractive cover, but the matter within is fresh and forms excellent reading. The headmaster of Plymouth College has an article on "The Earliest Extant Essay on Home Education," by Plutarch, in which he gives a few of the most salient points. Incidentally, he mentions that it was during the first century State education was recognised, that schoolmasters were paid out of the public funds, and that the works of Quintilian and Plutarch appeared, treating on education in school and home. On "Motives, or Rewards and Punishments," the Principal of the Cheltenham Ladies' College has a thoughtful exposition, in which she shows there are "different orders of motives appropriate to different stages of development." "Should Children have a Special Literature?" is competently discussed by the author of "Juvenile Literature;" and the subject of "Children and Arithmetic" introduces a few good hints. "Our Cadets," by Captain Wynyard, is well informed; and "The Queen of the Year" is a glowing account of "leafy June." The ox-eye daisy comes in for praise as the noblest of British flowers. "The world has come to recognise the beauty of this stately plant, the exquisite outlines of its leaves and tracts, and the composition of its noble head—not a flower, but a colony of small flowers or florets. The Marguerite is no more a flower than a bee-hive is an insect. The latter is a colony, a tribe of small flies; the former a settlement of minute flowers." Among the other noticeable articles are "Holidays in Lakeland Fifty-Nine Years Ago;" "The Two Roses," a translation from the German; and "From Two Points of View." The editorial paragraphs, notes and queries, the star map for the month with description, &c., also merit attention.

Albion Journal 23/6/94

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The June number of PARENTS abounds in valuable papers, pregnant with wholesome advice for bringing up children in the way they should go. Mr. F. H. Coulson, Head Master of Plymouth College, revives our acquaintance with Plutarch's essay on the training of children—physical, mental and moral. Mr. Edward Salmon, author of "Juvenile Literature," discusses the question, "Should Children have a Special Literature?" which he answers in the affirmative, recommending an extension of the empire of Kingston, Henty, Ballantyne, and kindred writers of books for boys and girls, by publishing cheap editions of their works. Captain Rowley Wynyard, R.A., of the Royal Military College, contributes counsel and guidance concerning the relative careers of the Woolwich and the Sandhurst cadet; while "Motives, or Rewards and Punishments" is the title of a thoughtful thesis, by Miss Dorothea Beale, Principal of Cheltenham Ladies' College, who considers that in the nursery and in the school children may rightly receive such rewards as follow industry and prudence in the larger world, while the fear of punishment may offer useful checks and help them to master the selfish instincts. Mrs. Lipscombe supplies, as usual, a "Star-map for the month," and also a paper on "The Evening Sky"; and Dr. J. E. Taylor, F.L.S., F.G.S., takes us on a botanical excursion, introducing to our observation the plants and flowers of June.

Double Evening Mail 25/6/9

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The *Parent's Review*, conducted by Charlotte M. Mason, is a capital publication for all interested in children. Especially attractive and instructive is a chapter on nursery ethics, showing that a soft answer may work wonders with a rebellious youngster, and insisting not that corporal punishment should be abolished altogether, but that the less there is of it the better for all concerned.

Messrs. Wilcock Bros., of the Moorgate Station Arcade, E.C., send a parcel of new music. The best thing is a beautiful song by Ed. Oxenford and Sydney Shaw, entitled: "Just as of Old," the effect being greatly enhanced by a very tasteful obbligato for violin or 'cello. "La Bella Ingresa" is a charming waltz by Francesco Astrella, with a tuneful melody and well-marked time, and "A Yarn of the Sea Serpent," by A. W. Creighton, is a song of the sort which never seems to grow old. It is just the thing for a smoking concert.

Darveel Post
July 19. 1890

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The July number of the PARENTS' REVIEW (an excellent magazine of home training and culture edited by Charlotte M. Mason) is chiefly interesting for two papers on elementary science—Dr. J. E. Taylor's "Flood Tide" and "The Evening Sky—July 15th to Aug. 15th" by Mrs. L. C. Lipscomb—and an article by the Rev. W. H. Keeling, Head Master of the Bradford Grammar School on the best curriculum for the education of our upper and middle class children. Mr. Keeling advances the opinion that the classical training has a great deal to be said for it.

~~The new edition is just published (125, Fleet-st., E.C.) of an excellent little book, *Wanderings in the Ardennes*, one of a valuable series by that keen-eyed wanderer in pleasant places, Mr. Percy Lindley. Special attention should be called to the chapters on the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg,~~

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The education of children is one of the most anxious questions of the day, and the Bishop of Carlisle mentally ejaculated "them's my sentiments" when he wrote with regard to it the article on "Early Training" which comes first in the current number of the *Parents' Review*. His lordship says: "The Church woke up to the importance of the question a good many years ago. So did many religious people outside the Church. But it was regarded in these days very much as a question belonging to the charitable and benevolent, not one with which the State had anything to do. At last however, the State woke up as well as the Church, and I can remember the feeling there was as to a great step having been taken, when Parliament was persuaded to vote £30,000 for national education. From that small beginning things have grown with gigantic growth. Votes for education now take their place as they ought to do on an equal footing with votes for the army and navy." His lordship devotes a good deal of attention to the "sins of the tongue," and points out it will generally be that which it is made by father and mother, rather than that which it is made by the school. Therefore he urges: "Let everything be done in a school, of whatever grade, to curb this unruly member, but let fathers and mothers bear in mind that whatever attempts are made in school their children will prove that tongues in these days are just what St. James described them as being all over the world in ancient days, and that the battle against the tongue must be fought at home, with all the advantage of precept and example from father and from mother."

Evening Post
Aug 30/94

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interesting reading.

The Parents' Review (W. H. Allen and Co., 13, Waterlow Place, London, S.W.,) will be found of much interest to parents, being devoted chiefly to subjects concerning the most judicious educational training of children, though other subjects are not altogether excluded. We might mention a contribution by Dr. J. E. Taylor, F.L.S., F.G.S., etc., entitled "Flood-Tide," an interesting paper on Natural History in general, and butterflies and moths in particular, and an astronomical contribution by Mrs. L. C. d'A. Lipscomb, entitled "The Evening Sky," which is rendered much more valuable by an accompanying star map. The magazine also contains a report of the first annual meeting of the Parents' National Educational Union, an Association that largely owes its conception and inception to Miss Charlotte Mason, the able and talented editor of *The Parents' Review*. Altogether, the magazine is an excellent one, and deserves success. It has hitherto been published about the middle of each month, but in future it will come out on "Magazine Day," the next issue being for September 1st.

Westmoreland Gazette 9/8/90

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THE PARENTS' REVIEW (Allen and Co., 13, Waterloo-place, S.W.) opens with a paper by the Bishop of Carlisle upon "Early Training," in the course of which he deals eloquently with home teaching and parental influence. His lordship says the school necessarily takes the place, to some extent, of the home; the schoolmaster or mistress takes the place, to some extent, of father or mother: it is right that this should be so—it is right that masters and mistresses should realise their parental relation to children; nevertheless, it may be said that man made schoolmasters and schoolmistresses, but that God made parents. The relation of parent to child is an imperishable, indestructible relation; no parent can shift it upon the school; and the condition of a nation in which the schools are of the most modern and improved construction, but in which the influence of home and fathers and mothers is regarded as old-fashioned and obsolete, is not a condition to be envied by the thoughtful and the wise. Major Seton Churchill writes regarding "The Influence of Elder Brothers," remarking that perhaps parents and others who have to do with the training of large families do not sufficiently realise what an enormous influence for good or for evil elder brothers have on the futures of the younger members of the family. The ministry of elder brothers is a very sacred office, for on its exercise depend very great results. Both intellectually and morally the training, therefore, of the eldest son is of the deepest import. There is a very instructive paper upon work for gentlewomen as elementary schoolmistresses, and the editor begins a series of papers upon "Parents and Children," the first instalment dealing with "The Family." There are several other good articles, and the solid contributions are relieved with excellent light literature.

From Worcester Daily Gazette
Aug 29/96

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nightcaps, &c.

PARENTS' REVIEW (W. H. Allen and Co., 18, Waterloo Place, London, S.W.).—This eminently useful magazine is well deserving the attention of parents everywhere. Home-training is of more importance than most people imagine. After all, school training consists more or less of routine work and uninteresting "cram." But at home the intelligent parent may train the young mind in all that it should know, and especially in that for which the child has a predilection, to an almost unlimited extent. "Early Training" is the subject of an article by the Bishop of Carlisle in this number, and amongst the interesting contributions there is the first instalment of a treatise on the art of reading aloud.

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Perhaps the best thing in the *Parents' Review* is an article by Major Seton Churchill on "The influence of Elder Brothers," which the writer believes to be in some respects more powerful even than that of the parents themselves. "From Mulberry Leaf to Satin" is a weak story with a strong moral, and the "Memoir of a child fourteen months old" is (unintentionally) most amusing.

The *Newspaper*, "a seven days' summary of fact

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The contents of the *Parents' Review* are more distinctive than it may occur to many people to suppose, for they are neither of the prevailing "family magazine" type nor a mere specialty of entertainment. Their purpose is educational in a severe sense. The tables are fairly turned upon the heads of householders, and scholars they must become if they would grapple with fleeting opportunities for moulding the character of their offspring. The papers are varied, and each has its special value. That by the Bishop of Carlisle is sermony—and dated from Westminster Abbey, as if it had been penned there, with perhaps a tomb-

stone for a table,—but the "Chapter on Visitors," although relating to French home-life, and Major Seton Churchill's remarks on "The Influence of Elder Brothers," carry much point. In an opening passage the Major says:—

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times, it seems.

In the current number of the *Parents' Review* (W. H. Allen and Co., Waterloo-place), there is a capital article on The Influence of Elder Brothers, by Major Seton Churchill. Read it, dear boys—read it. And you, too, parents. The moral of it, put very tersely by the author himself, is not that we should neglect the training of the younger ones for the sake of the elder one; but that by instructing the eldest thoroughly, the younger ones would have a better chance of being rightly taught. The influence of the elder boy upon his younger brothers is a powerful, and should be, a sacred one.

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No. 2 of *Continental Fashion* (Trischler and Co.,

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